## 2006 ELECTION

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 16



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Enough is enough! Our state legislature is out of touch with the public. The legislature repeatedly ignores the will of the people. Their actions not only haven't helped situations like the lack of affordable housing, but have contributed to the problems. Families watch their children grow up, graduate from school, and move to the mainland where they can buy a home. The legislature established a general excise tax that hits hardest those who can least afford it...the poor and the elderly. Public education? After the legislature "reinvented" it, we see virtually no changes. Over half of Hawai'i public school graduates who go to college need remedial classes.

I don't just point out problems; I offer solutions. Affordable housing is a function of supply and demand. Our housing supply is limited by infrastructure (sewers, roads, water) and land availability. As a state, we need to take action now to upgrade our infrastructure. We should exempt rent, food, and medical care from general excise tax. We must truly reform our public schools. Instead of an ineffective gas cap, we need to open the market to increased competition.

Education: B.B.A. (concentration in marketing)

Business: I've had my own business and worked extensively in marketing.

Volunteer: Currently head of church stewardship committee. Foster parent. Exchange student host. Former interpreter for National Tropical Botanical Gardens. Member of commission on status of women.

Family: Mother/stepmother to 7 children. Hosted 6 foreign exchange students. Foster parent to 11 children. With my husband, have 21 grandchildren.